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TAGS: FAO  
SUBJ: FAO AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE, POST-HARVEST LOSSES

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REF: ROME 6560

1. U.S. DELEGATION HAS BEEN DISCUSSING POST-HARVEST LOSSES  
AGENDA ITEM WITH KEY DEVELOPED COUNTRY DELEGATIONS TO FAO  
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE (COAG). INITIAL CONVERSATIONS  
WITH FRG, CANADA, SWEDEN AND JAPAN INDICATE SUBSTANTIAL  
ACCORD ON THE FOLLOWING:

(A) FAVOR PRIORITY EFFORT TO REDUCE POST-HARVEST LOSSES;

(B) AGREE THAT FAO SHOULD PLAY KEY COORDINATING ROLE,  
BUT NOT NECESSARILY PRINCIPAL FUNDING ROLE;

(C) THE CREATION OF GENERAL REPEAT GENERAL TRUST FUNDS  
UNDER FAO SHOULD BE AVOIDED;

(D) AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE SHOULD CONSIDER PROGRAM TO  
REDUCE POST-HARVEST LOSSES BUT NOT WAYS OF FUNDING PROGRAM;  
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(E) NOT TO BE DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEE BUT ALL WERE AGAINST  
USE OF FAO SUSPENSE ACCOUNT TO FUND PROGRAM.

2. ACCORD BECAME MORE CONFUSED WHEN COUNTRIES EXPRESSED  
A POSITIVE RESPONSE ON POST-HARVEST LOSSES. FRG AND  
SWEDEN WANTED TO SEE SUCH A PRIORITY PROGRAM IN REGULAR

FAO BUDGET AND WERE DOUBTFUL OF EXTRA-BUDGETARY  
APPROACH TO A DISTINCT COORDINATING UNIT AND SPECIAL  
EVALUATION CONFERENCE. LATTER WOULD BE DONE BY COAG  
AT ITS NEXT MEETING, PRESUMABLY IN 1979.

3. A TRUST FUND FOR A SPECIFIC PROGRAM TO REDUCE POST-  
HARVEST LOSSES MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE TO JAPAN AND SWEDEN,  
BUT THEY WOULD NOT COMMIT THEMSELVES UNTIL THEY HAVE  
A CHANCE TO STUDY SUCH A SPECIFIC PROGRAM. FRG  
SEEMED TO BE LEANING TOWARD BILATERAL PROGRAMS WHICH  
IT WOULD FUND IN LINE WITH FAO EFFORTS. FRG WILL  
POINT OUT IT IS ALREADY GIVING PRIORITY TO REQUESTS  
IN THIS AREA ESPECIALLY IN STORAGE FACILITIES AND  
IMPROVED TRANSPORT. GARDNER

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